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Sent: Friday, July 21, 2017 10:23 AM
To: Ortiz, Eduardo
Cc: Ruiz, Adam; Hayes, Scott; Pritchard, Jeffrey
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Sent: Tuesday, March 28, 2017 8:18 AM

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A Unit Manager at KDHE BER also received a call from someone I assume is the same person. Below is the email text the manager sent to Joe Dom, KDHE Spills Program Unit. Joe was out of the office yesterday and has not yet returned the call. KDHE has not determined to what level we will get involved. We may send someone from our Southeast District Office by the site to get a visual and see if this needs to be elevated. If the issue is significant KDHE will contact the KCC District staff per our KDHE/KCC MOA. Overall it still sounds like this is KCC jurisdiction.

I just received a phone call from a guy named Nathan. He wouldn't provide his last name for a number of reasons. He indicated he some property in an oil/gas lease area in Anderson County. I referred him to the KCC at this point, to which he replied he's "already talked heavily with them...but they aren't doing what's necessary" according to him. He said he called me to speak about Superfund to which I replied that you're actually the Superfund lead. He said he wanted us to be aware of the contamination. He also wanted the water to be tested for "heavy metals and radiation." He said he had done a lot of research and thought there would be heavy metals and radiation in this area and someone needs to know about it. He also said he's got videos and is planning to go to the media/news with it because he doesn't think the KCC is doing enough. He wanted us to be aware and wanted us to provide oversight of the KCC because "they aren't doing what's necessary." This phone call lasted approximately 20 minutes. I said there's not much that I can really do from my end without knowing of contamination, and normally oil/gas leases are under KCC oversight. I said I'd refer him to you though as the Spills Response Coordinator because he said the spills are ongoing and he wanted to talk to someone who could help. He also mentioned he has a lawsuit against the company responsible. FYI, his phone number is 316-670-3562.

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Lynn,

I don't recognize the individuals name. But, I do know that KCC is a State organization – funded by the state / state tax payers. They are the state regulatory Agency that oversees oil and other clean-ups in KS. I am not aware of any current EPA involvement on any KCC remediation sites. I will copy our Paul, Oil Team Leader and AWMD in case they have some involvement that I am not aware of.

Thanks

Ken

p.s. you may want to send your caller to their website or give them the KCC 2017 remediation report:

http://www.kcc.state.ks.us/legislative_reports/2017_remediation_site_status_report.pdf

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Subject: Nathan Lang

Hi All – I have a voicemail message from a Nathan Lang asking about our interactions with the Kansas Corporation Commission on superfund or other remedial sites, what type of grant money we give them, and “how much money the taxpayer is on the hook for”. Before I call him back, anyone recognize that name or have any idea what may have prompted this call?

Thank you,

Lynn M. Juett

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